

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
March 25, 2019

PRESENT: Matthew Newman (Chair), Gary Fine (Clerk), Gail McSweeney (Member), Sheila Landy (Secretary), Lisa Cullity (Health Agent), Ryan Craig (PACTV Videographer), Donna Restucci and Richard Restucci (Pembroke residents).

**6:04 MR. NEWMAN OPENED THE MEETING AND READ THE STATEMENT REGARDING
AUDIO RECORDING OF THE MEETING**

HEALTH AGENT'S REPORT

The Health Agent updated the Board of Office Activity, Adams Ave, Washington St. and MA DEP. Percs are up as the weather is getting warmer. There are a few livestock complaints: roaming chickens, unregistered chickens, chicken coops not meeting setback requirements

The Agent accompanied Wind River out to 79 Adams Ave along with a Wind River Supervisor. The conclusion reached is both cesspools are 3-4 inches below the water table and thus a failure. We have not received the report yet.

The Agent stated the BoH had received a \$700 bill from a subcontractor for cleanup of two catch basins near 552-556 Washington St and requested the Board forward the bill to the owner of record. This is Agenda item **BOARD ACTION 552-556 WASHINGTON ST.** The Chair made a motion to send a letter with the bill to 552-556 Washington St. Fine amended the motion to add a \$50.00 penalty to the total due, payable to the Board of Health. The Chair seconded and all were in favor.

The Agent accompanied Police and Fire to 171 Mattakeesett St regarding various violations. The sanitary inspection revealed minor infractions. This inspection was to clear the property for possible expansion.

Per the discussion regarding Adams Ave, Mr. Fine made a motion for the Health Agent compose a letter to Wind River Environmental reiterating the discussion that took place at the site regarding best practices and process improvements in regard to Title V Inspections. The Chair seconded and all were in favor.

BOARD ACTION ITEM – Approve Minutes of February 25, 2019 and March 11, 2019

The Chair made a motion to accept the Minutes of February 25, 2019, Fine seconded. Newman and Fine were in favor and McSweeney Abstained and the Motion carried. Newman made a motion to accept the Minute of March 11, 2019, McSweeney seconded and all were in favor.

BOARD ACTION ITEM – 552-556 Washington St

Please see the Health Agent's Report above.

BOARD DISCUSSION ITEM – Livestock Regulations

The Chair stated the Right to Farm Bylaw does not prohibit the Board of Health from enacting any livestock regulations it deems fit. The Board discussed where the problem areas are, lot sizes, density of neighborhoods, and “stacking” of livestock. Mr. Fine made a motion for the Health Agent to present options to the Board prior to the next meeting. The Chair stated the Board makes policy, not the Health Agent. Fine said he was looking for advice. The Health Agent stated she has been advised by council not to “steer” the Board. The Agent agreed to try to come up with a plan for dealing with density.

The Chair made a motion to adjourn, McSweeney seconded and all were in favor. The Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

Matthew Newman
Chair